

December 11, 2000

**NBCI Cooperative Agreement and Grant Programs --- FY 2001**

**Notice of Availability --- Request for Proposals**

Dear Colleague:

The National Biological Control Institute (NBCI) has **OPENED** its three (3) competitive **Cooperative Agreement and Grant Programs** and will be accepting proposals **effective December 18, 2000**.

**Requests for Proposals** (RFP's) shall not be mailed individually this year but **are available on-line** at the NBCI home page. RFP's may be read on-line and downloaded. The NBCI RFP's are located at:

**<http://www.aphis.usda.gov/oa/nbci/resource.html#GrantProg>**

NBCI's Cooperative Agreement and Grant Programs began in 1990. Their objectives are to assist cooperators to facilitate and implement biological control programs and partnerships supporting American agriculture and the environment. NBCI has assisted in about 300 projects with State and local government agencies, other Federal agencies, colleges/universities, international entities, and nonprofit organizations. NBCI's three Cooperative Agreement and Grant Programs are as follows:

**Biological Control Implementation Cooperative Agreement and Grant Program:**

- Offers funding to conduct programs and form partnerships in biological control of agricultural and environmental pests.
- Funding available under this program generally limited to proposals under \$15,000.
- Proposals must be **postmarked** no later than **January 29, 2001**.

**Biological Control Facilitation Cooperative Agreement and Grant program:**

- Offers funding to projects that facilitate information, education, and communication needs in biological control.
- Funding available under this program generally limited to proposals under \$5,000.
- Proposals must be **postmarked** no later than **February 12, 2001**.

**NBCI Post-Doctoral Fellowships Cooperative Agreement and Grant Program:**

- Supports Post-Doctoral studies in systematics of organisms of critical importance to biological control.
- Funding available under this program generally limited to proposals under \$40,000.
- Proposals must be **postmarked** no later than **February 26, 2001**.

*We encourage you to consider NBCI's FY 2001 Cooperative Agreement and Grant Programs in Biological Control*

If you are unable to access or otherwise obtain a copy of NBCI's Cooperative Agreement and Grant Program RFP's on-line and would like copies sent to you, please call Daphne J. Miller or Erich S. Rudyj at (301) 734-4329. RFP's in MS-Word 97 format are also available and can be e-mailed to you upon request [Daphne.J.Miller@usda.gov].

Regards,

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